



Dale Metcalf: Leading us through a year of COVID

We are quickly coming to the end of 2020-21 Kiwanis year, and I thank all the members of the Columbia Kiwanis Club for the opportunity to serve as President this past year.

Since October 2020, I had the opportunity to continue by using virtual meetings. My thanks to our Past President, Valerie Shaw, for having this set up in her administration. It allowed our club to remain active through the COVID-19 Pandemic

Now we have had a little over two months of hybrid meetings and they have worked out very well. It took some time to get the virtual part of the meeting working successfully, but it allows some of us to meet in person while others are at home with Zoom.

We were able to ring the Salvation Army bells in December, thanks to Leigh Kotwitz. We also had a virtual Interclub with the Boonslick Kiwanis Club by Zoom. The virtual Interclubs did not continue, however, as most of the clubs in our area did not use Zoom.

In March, though, we had a MO/ARK Division Education Day for our officers via Zoom. This allowed those who registered to listen to our KI President online.

In April, we had the first meeting of our Centennial Committee to start the process of developing a course of action for the celebration of 100 years of existence of our club in 2022. Thanks to Sally Robinson for leading this committee.

In May, Molly Delgado organized a group of members to bag books for the children at Benton Elementary School. This allowed the students to continue studying at home while the school was closed due to the Pandemic.

Also in May, we had finally had a long-planned clean-up of the Quail Drive neighborhood as part of the City of Columbia's Climate Access



Ambassadors Program. After two postponements due to weather, we got to help the neighborhood — and have breakfast. Thank you Jack Meitzenbach and Leigh Kottwitz for organizing this for our club.

The Kiwanis One Day project was led this year by the Boonslick Club. All of the clubs in Columbia came together on a May Saturday to help build a house for Habitat for Humanity.

Although the COVID-19 Pandemic kept us from having our annual Pancake Day in the spring, some ingenuity allowed us to put on this major fundraiser on June 12. To keep the event COVID-safe, we used a drive-in format. We were able to serve many breakfasts without have a large crowd of people in the building.

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And we are not done yet with our community service. The club is helping the city and Russell Elementary School with a new honeysuckle removal project at Kiwanis Park this month.

Our Service Leadership Programs are still struggling with the Pandemic and not meeting. We are hoping that this will change this fall as most students return to in-person school. We continue our support for K-Kids, Terrific Kids, Key Club and Circle K.

I want to thank everyone for their support this Kiwanis year — and especially Janet Schisser for trying to keep me headed in the right direction. Also, Clyde Bentley and I have had several conversations about virtual meetings and where we can go with hybrid meetings as the Pandemic eases up. We have had a few glitches with the remote format, but overall the meetings have gone well.

Again, thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to serve as President of the Kiwanis Club of Columbia for this past year.

Dale

Columbia Kiwanis installation set for Sept. 28

The Columbia Kiwanis Club will install new officers and launch the new Kiwanis year Sept. 28 with a special dinner at the Love Coffee community restaurant.

Missouri-Arkansas District 5 Lt. Governor Designate David Mast will formally install the new officers at the 5 p.m.-7 p.m. event. A sandwich dinner is \$11 per person

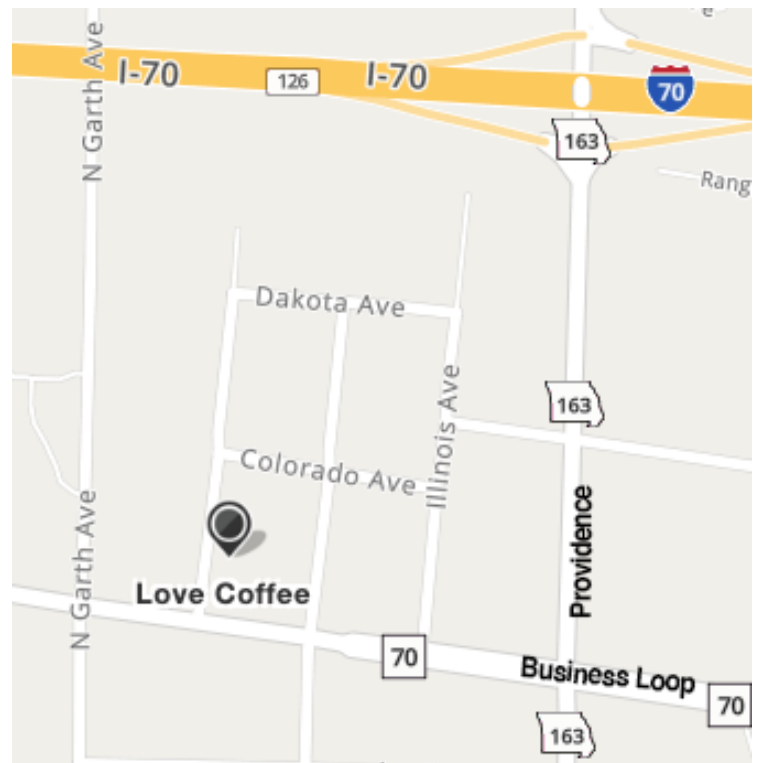
Clyde Bentley will take the reins as president of the club from Dale Metcalf, who presided over the Covid-stressed 2020-21 club year. Bentley is a retired associate professor from the University of Missouri School of Journalism.

Liz Sensintaffar will become president-elect. Lynn Limback will become vice president and Janet Schisser will take on a second year as secretary. The treasurer position is still vacant.

Also to be installed as members of the Board of Directors are Cecilia Young and Gene Gerke (three year positions), Norma Fair and Jack Meizenbach (two-year positions, and Sally Robinson (one-year position). A second one-year position is vacant.

The program will also feature the presentation of the Distinguished Service Award, the George F. Hixson Award, The Raymond Landsford Kiwanian of the Year and the Legion of Honor.

The Love Coffee restaurant on Business Loop 70 is an offshoot of the Love Columbia program, providing job skills training and employment for people with disabilities and barriers to employment. It is affiliated with Love Columbia.



Faurot Award set for Oct. 26

Columbia's Weir family will be honored with the Don Faurot Sportsperson of the Year Award Oct. 26. The award was delayed in 2020 due to the Pandemic, but will be presented in a COVID-safe outdoor ceremony in Kiwanis Park at our normal Tuesday noon meeting time.

The family is honored for its decades of multisport officiating at every level and the support they provided through Red Weir Athletic Supplies. Eric Cunningham is coordinating the event.

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Lynn Limback(2)
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Minutes of Hybrid Board Meeting Held at The Broadway Christian Church August 17, 2021

Meeting was called to Order by President Dale Metcalf at 1:15 pm. Other Officers and Board Members present in person were Clyde Bentley, Janet Schisser, Robert Nelson, Ernest Hilderbrand, Norma Fair, Jack Miles, Valerie Shaw and Sally Robinson. Participating via ZOOM was Jack Meinzenbach. Absent were Liz Sensintaffar and Lynn Limback. Non-board members present were Charlie Lee and John Haralson. A quorum was declared

Minutes from the last regular board meeting of July 20, 2021 had been distributed prior to the meeting via email. Approval of the minutes was moved by Jack Miles, seconded by Ernest Hilderbrand, and passed unanimously.

Financial Reports: Treasurer, Robert Nelson was unable to present a Treasurer's report as of July 31, 2021 but said he would email as soon as possible and present it at the September meeting. A copy of the Treasurer report will be filed with these minutes when received.

The Memorial Trust Fund Report as of July 31, 2021 was presented by President Metcalf. The total value of the MTF as of 7-31-21 was \$515,137.71, showing a decrease in value of \$10,776.84 for the month. The largest factor for the decrease was the transfer of \$11,000 to the Club Foundation to be distributed as grants. President Metcalf reported that the Money Market account at Simmons Bank was closed on August 4, and the \$5,551.35 balance transferred into the Central Bank of Boone County Money Market account. Ernest Hilderbrand moved approval of the MTF Report, Valerie Shaw seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Report is attached to these minutes for the record.

New Member Application – There were no new member applications in hand.

Administrative Items:

•Discussion was held again about the in-person weekly Club meetings. The general consensus is that while members seem to enjoy being together,

a lunch meeting in person does not work well for younger professionals, so is a recruiting problem. Also, it was agreed that the technology problems experienced for speakers and ZOOM participation must be resolved. Clyde Bentley will research options for improvements and Sally Robinson will help schedule a meeting with the Broadway Christian Church staff. Sally also agreed to continue ordering the lunch.

•President Metcalf will work with John Haralson and Valerie Shaw to recruit someone to fill the Board member position vacated by Lynn Limback beginning 10-1-2021 when he begins serving as Vice President. The vote will be taken once Lynn is installed as Vice President.

•Dale reported that Robert Nelson has resigned as Treasurer effective October 1, 2021. Discussion was held about finding a replacement.

•Notice was given that Kiwanis International has eliminated the New Member Fee effective 10-1-2021, and both KI and District dues for new members will be prorated on a monthly basis. Janet Schisser moved that the Club dues be prorated on the same basis, Clyde seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

•It was acknowledged that Youth Protection Policy training for the current has already been done.

Committee Reports:

•The Installation and Awards Banquet will be planned by a committee lead by Valerie Shaw and Clyde Bentley. The date will be set as September 28, 2021. Time and place to be determined.

•Discussion was held regarding renewal of sponsorship of K-Kids at Benton Elementary. Janet Schisser will proceed with the renewal.

•Clyde presented a report at the Club meeting about the Kiwanis Park long-range planning committee. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes for the record.

•Sally Robinson reported that the Centennial Committee is planning a presentation to the Club for August 31, 2021.

Next Official Board Meeting:

September 21, 2021 following regular Club meeting. Hybrid if possible



Food Bank Volunteers

Kiwanians won't let the COVID-19 Pandemic stop them from serving the community.

Properly vaccinated and masked, four of our members helped at the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri Aug. 21. Volunteers, from left, were Leroy Sharpe, Charlie Lee, Ernie Lee, and Jim **Bowman**

Columbia Kiwanis Club supports local youth organizations



Columbia Kiwanis Club members had multiple chances in August and September to hear about the good work done by several area organizations that support youth and children. Leigh Kottwitz, chair of the Children Priority One Committee, presented checks after each group explained their program.

Shown are (top left) Rainbow House, (bottom left) Delta Sigma Theta Academy, and (right) First Chance for Children.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ernest Hilderbrand **Sept. 5**
Deborah Stidham **Sept. 28**
Paul Land **Sept. 29**
None in October

Anniversaries

John & Bonnie Cassels **Sept. 9**
Ernie & Angela Lee **Sept. 13**
Lucas & Tamara Redburn **Sept. 13**
Charlie & Carol Lee **Oct. 5**

September Club Calendar

Program coordinator Leigh Kottwitz

- 9/7** Regular noon meeting by Zoom. **Program:** Delta Sigma Theta Academy. Adrienne Lindsey, speaker
- 9/14** Regular noon meeting by Zoom. **Program:** St. Luke's After School Tutoring Program. Valerie Shaw.
- 9/16** Kiwanis Park honeysuckle removal work project, 4-7 p.m. Bring tools if you have them. Meet at Odor Shelter on west side of park.
- 9/21** Regular noon meeting by Zoom. **Program:** Jabberwocky Studios. Our own Linda Schust will speak. Board meeting to follow.
- 9/25** Kiwanis Park honeysuckle removal work project, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring tools if you have them. Meet at Odor Shelter on west side of park.
- 9/28** 2021-2022 Installation. Dinner and ceremony at Love Coffee, 15 I-70 Business Loop. Lt. Governor-designate David Mast will swear in the new officers.
- 9/28** Volunteer day for First Chance for Children diaper wrapping program.

Club History: Celebrating almost 100 years of service



A look back
through our files
as we prepare
for our
centennial

Kiwanis in the garden

As the Columbia Center for Urban Agriculture celebrates its annual Harvest Hootenanny Sept. 18, Kiwanians can look back at their own “deep roots” in community gardening.

As the Great Depression raged in 1932, the Garden Committee of the Columbia Kiwanis spearheaded a “Gardens the Unemployed” program. The program found backyards and vacant city ground for unemployed Columbian to till. The program provided seed, advice and a detailed planting plan. It also loaned gardening tools.

The result, according to the 1940 club history booklet, was that “Eighty-five families were richly fed, happily occupied and gloriously vindicated as able and self-sustaining citizens, regardless of the Depression.”

Later the Columbia Kiwanis teamed with the Lions, Rotary and the Federal Works Administration to establish a community garden that in 1940 produced 2,446 quarts of green beans, 2,234 quarts of tomatoes, 400 bushels of carrots and a cornucopia of other vegetables.